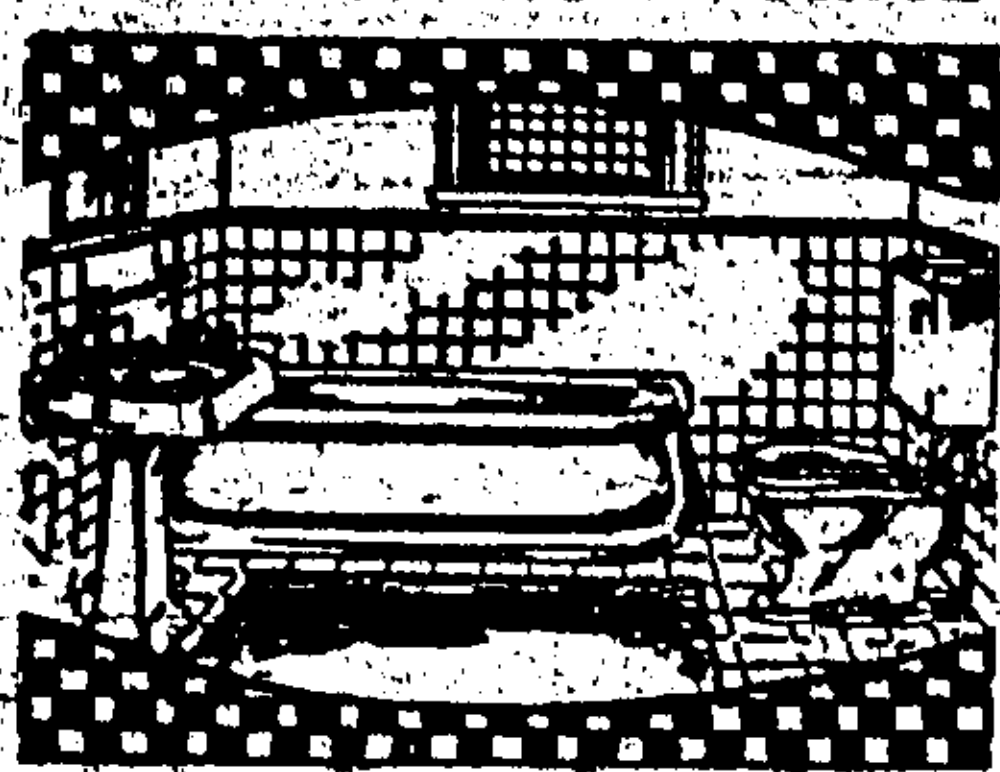


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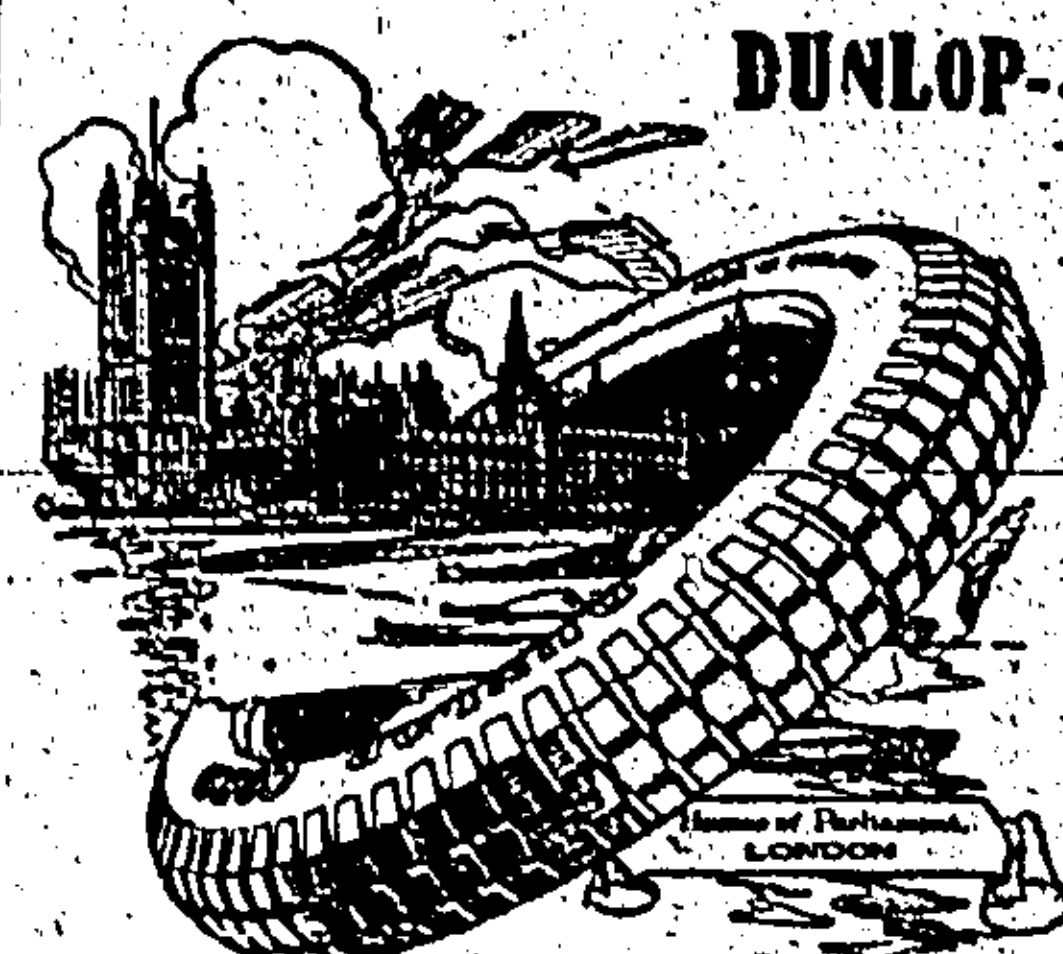
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EXCITING DEBATE ON COAL BILL.

CLOSE SHAVE FOR GOVERNMENT.

MAJORITY OF NINE ON THE LIBERAL MOTION.

LABOUR PARTY WILDLY PLEASED.

LL. GEORGE FAILS.

London, Feb. 27.
After an exciting and anxious debate in the House of Commons last night, a Liberal amendment to the Coal Mines Bill, seeking to confine the schemes in Part One of the Bill to the marketing of coal, and omitting schemes for the regulation of output, was rejected, the Government escaping defeat by a margin of nine votes.

The voting was:

For the Amendment . . . 271
Against the Amendment . . . 280

There was tension in the House all through the debate, which followed Mr. William Graham's refusal to give way to Mr. Lloyd George on the quota scheme, involving restriction of output, which the Government regarded as an essential part of the Bill.

Storm of Cheering.

The result of the division was received with a storm of Labour cheering, and completely upsets the predictions of political correspondents of the London newspapers, who following the narrow escape of the Government on the Second Reading of the Bill in December last, suggested that the Bill might be regarded as dead, the victory of the Government being equivalent to defeat in Committee. Opponents of the Bill were confident that they would do better than they did on the second reading, and all parties sent out urgent whips for the debate. The remarkable discipline in the Labour ranks is shown by the fact that they were almost fully represented. The Conservatives felt a good way short of their full representation.

Liberals Denied.

There was the greatest excitement in the House during the division on the Liberal amendment. As Mr. Lloyd George and some of his followers emerged from the Conservative Lobby they were loudly and ironically cheered by the Labour Members, to the accompaniment of cries of "Good old Tories."

The Government was saved by a number of Liberal abstentions. The Liberals who declined to vote on the amendment, included all the principal anti-Lloyd George members.

When it was known that the Government had a majority, the whole of the Labour Party rose and cheered, waving papers and handkerchiefs and making full use of the opportunity to deride the Conservatives.

Later.

About forty Liberals voted Mr. Lloyd George in the minority.

Mr. Cook's Attack.

After the division, Mr. A. J. Cook, speaking officially on behalf of the miners, said that if Mr. Lloyd George had succeeded in defeating the Government, it would have meant a complete stoppage in all the coalfields throughout the country.

The Miners' Federation, he added, had now learned that the Liberal profession of sympathy with the miners was all hypocrisy.

Mr. Lloyd George's action tonight would summon all the forces of the Miners' Federation and the Labour movement against Liberalism.

Later.

The Coal Bill division figures consisted as follows:

For the Government:

Labour . . . 270
Liberals . . . 4
Independents . . . 4
Irish Nat . . . 2

CENTRAL AMERICA REVOLUTION.

SANTO DOMINGO IN HANDS OF REBELS.

H.M.S. WISTARIA SENT.

London, Feb. 27.
H.M.S. Wistaria has been despatched from St. Thomas, in the Virgin Islands, to Santo Domingo, the capital of the Dominican Republic, where two thousand insurgents have occupied the city.

The Wistaria is a British sloop, and it is understood that she is going merely to stand by in case of necessity.

The rebel forces are in occupation of Santo Domingo, though they have not yet captured the fortress which is garrisoned by the few supporters of President Vasquez.—*Reuter.*

Washington, Feb. 27.

The State Department has been informed of the British ship despatching H.M.S. Wistaria to Santo Domingo in case of the revolution.

The State Department understands, however, that this is only a precautionary measure. No landing of British forces is contemplated.

The United States at present has no warship in the vicinity.—*Reuter's American Service.*

BUCKINGHAM PALACE RECEPTION.

QUEEN ENTERTAINS NAVAL DELEGATION LADIES.

London, Feb. 27.
The wives of the delegates attending the Naval Conference were entertained at tea by the Queen at Buckingham Palace this afternoon.

Her Majesty, with whom was Princess Mary, accorded the guests a very homely welcome in the suite of the State Apartments.

Among the guests was Miss Isabel MacDonald, the daughter of the Premier.—*British Wireless.*

INJURED IN JUMP FROM TRAIN.

CHINESE WHO STEPPED OFF TOO SOON.

Jumping from a carriage whilst the train was still some 200 yards from Tai Po Station, a Chinese named Ng Chik, aged 29, of Sha U Chung, was thrown to the ground and received injuries to his head.

The incident occurred on Wednesday, and when the man was picked up it was found necessary to send him to the Kwong Wa Hospital, where he was detained.

AMERICAN BANKER'S RESIGNATION.

TO BECOME DIRECTOR OF THE REPARATIONS BANK.

Washington, Feb. 27.
Mr. Gates W. McGarrath, the chairman of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, has resigned in order to accept a directorship of the Bank of International Settlements.

Mr. J. H. Case, the Deputy Governor of the New York Federal Reserve Bank, will succeed him.—*Reuter's American Service.*

AHMED RIZA DEAD.

Constantinople, Feb. 27.
The death is announced of Ahmed Riza, the founder of the Committee of Union and Progress, which fought the Hamidian regime.—*Reuter.*

Against:

Conservatives . . . 228
Liberals . . . 42
Independent . . . 1

For:

Conservatives . . . 271

—*Reuter.*

ANTI-MONARCHIST OUTBURST.

CRISIS DEVELOPING IN SPAIN.

CONSERVATIVE EX-PREMIER ATTACKS KING.

MADRID SENSATIONS.

Madrid, Feb. 27.
While it has been stated that there is little likelihood of a Republic being proclaimed in Spain at this juncture, the political situation is becoming extremely critical, and the establishment of a Republic is being openly discussed. The feeling against the Monarchy is undoubtedly growing, but for the time being it is doubted whether the Republican organisation is sufficiently strong to effect a coup.

Nevertheless, the prevailing spirit is shown by the proceedings at a wildly enthusiastic meeting held in Madrid to-day, at which Sanchez-Guerra, the former Conservative Premier was the principal speaker.

Sanchez-Guerra was a victim of the Dictatorship, being arrested following the abortive revolution at Valencia a year ago, and though acquitted by a military tribunal, was still held in custody until the fall of Primo de Rivera, when he was released under the general amnesty.

Sensational Attack.

To-night, he led a sensational attack on King Alfonso and all his vigorous denunciations were wildly cheered. It is noteworthy that for admission to the meeting people paid nearly a sovereign for so-called free seats.

"The King no longer enjoys the confidence of the People," declared Sanchez-Guerra.

"I am not a Republican, but I recognise that if the people wish, they are entitled to have a Republic," he added.

The ex-Premier then fiercely condemned General Primo de Rivera, the erstwhile Dictator, who "came under the King's influence. Responsibilities must be exacted from all in a legal manner."

Police Charge Mob.

While Sanchez-Guerra was inveighing inside the theatre a turbulent crowd outside was engaged eagerly in an attempt to force an entry, shouting "Down With the King!"

The situation was once so ugly that the police charged the mob with drawn sabres, while cavalry came into action, a number of people being badly injured.

The King is popularly held to be the culprit in regard to the responsibility for the disastrous Moroccan War affair, and the subsequent assumption of the Dictatorship by Primo de Rivera.

Moroccan Disaster.

Hundreds of Spaniards lost their lives in the campaign against Abd-el-Krim in 1924, largely through persistence in the system of innumerable small posts, which proved death-traps owing to the lack of adequate water supply.

Pro-Republican feeling in Spain is now running very strong, but it is doubtful whether the Republicans are sufficiently organised at present to make an effective concerted move against the Monarchy.—*Reuter.*

A fortnight ago a large gathering of leading Republicans gave a banquet commemorating the short-lived Spanish Republic of 1873. The speakers urged violence and revolution to overthrow the Monarchy, while shouts of "Death to Alfonso!" were raised.

Over a thousand attended the banquet, and speakers scolding the King and urging revolt were enthusiastically cheered.—*Ex.*

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is high over N. China. The depression over Indo-China has filled up. Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. The local forecast till noon tomorrow is:—N.E. winds, moderate; generally cloudy; some rain.

MISS VIOLA SMITH WITHDRAWS.

INSTRUCTIONS FROM STATE DEPARTMENT.

SHANGHAI ELECTION.

[Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, Feb. 28.

It is announced that Miss Viola Smith, the Assistant U.S. Trade Commissioner, has withdrawn her candidature for the vacant seat on the Shanghai Municipal Council.

It is stated that the withdrawal follows the receipt of instructions from the American State Department, in which it was declared that the American Government thinks it undesirable and incompatible with Miss Smith's official position.

The women's organisations in Shanghai are most disappointed, and have suggested that nothing would have been placed in the way of the nomination if the men had not been in opposition.

Harold Lloyd Film Latest.

Meanwhile, Shanghai has been given another mild sensation by the announcement that the Executive Committee of the Shanghai Branch of the Kuomintang Party has passed a resolution insisting that Harold Lloyd apologise to China for the insults conveyed in "Welcome Danger" otherwise all his future films will be boycotted. It is proceeding for the detention of the film, which caused serious disturbances at the Grand Theatre last week-end.

BEAVERBROOK OPENS CAMPAIGN.

APPEAL TO CONSERVATIVE LEADER.

London, Feb. 27.

Lord Beaverbrook, as the leader of the United Empire Party, in a speech at Gloucester, opening his West Country campaign said the Party thought the cure for unemployment was Empire Free Trade.

He urged Mr. Baldwin to have the courage of his own fiscal convictions and to give the British people an opportunity of saving themselves by adopting the fiscal policy in which Lord Beaverbrook declared Mr. Baldwin himself believed.

Lord Beaverbrook asserted that the United Empire Party had no intention of disrupting or destroying any other Party. It not a political but an economic Party.

Lord Beaverbrook said he would welcome the return of Mr. Baldwin to the Premiership if he went with his hands free to carry out the policy in which he (Lord Beaverbrook) understood he believed and in the development of which a large majority of the Conservative Party believed.—*Reuter.*

LORRY AND CYCLE COLLIDE.

MISHAP NEAR KOWLOON PLAYGROUND.

A report has been made to the police by Chai Choi, one of the drivers of the Electro lorry belonging to the Sanitary Department, that whilst about to turn across Chatham Road this morning, his vehicle came into collision with a motor cycle on which were two Chinese, one of them being hurt about the head and arms.

The Sanitary Department driver stated that he was travelling along Chatham Road at 6.30 this morning and, on nearing the Children's Playground, he extended his hand to indicate that he intended to turn and cross to the other side, when a motor cycle coming in the opposite direction came into collision with the lorry.

The driver of the cycle, Mr. Y. C. Ho, and the pillion passenger, Mr. F. S. Lui, were thrown off the former being slightly hurt about the head and arms. He was taken to hospital for treatment. The motor cycle was somewhat damaged, but the lorry escaped damage.

CHATER WILL CASE DEVELOPMENT.

WHAT THE FULL COURT ASSUMED.

THOUGHT PARTIES AGREED ON CLAUSE 7.

MR. JENKIN'S VIEWS.

There was an interesting development in the Chater will case this morning, when the Chief Justice stated that the Full Court, in a previous judgment, assumed, without considering the matter closely, that the parties agreed that Clause 7 of the will governed the situation. Mr. Jenkin, for Mr. Bagram, replied that the Full Court judgment reversed that of Mr. Justice Wood because Clause 7 destroyed the basis of it.

When the Full Court of Appeal resumed this morning, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, for Mr. J. T. Bagram, continued his address in support of the judgment by Mr. Justice Wood which is appealed from. The parties to the action are the Official Trustee of Bengal (defendant-appellant), the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton (plaintiff-respondent), Messrs. J. T. Bagram and Ebrahim Sadick (defendants-respondents).

Point At Issue.

The judgment which is appealed against was delivered on March 28, 1929, and laid down that Mr. Bagram was entitled to interest as to his legacy from the date of the death of Sir Paul Chater, that he was entitled to be paid interest on his legacy at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum if the income of the estate was sufficient, and that he should receive payment at the rate of 7 per cent. or at a lesser rate as the income of the estate allowed to be paid.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon are for the Official Trustee of Bengal, Mr. C. B. Alabaster, K.C., is for Mr. Shenton and Mr. F. C. Jenkin is acting for Mr. Bagram. Mr. Jenkin yesterday intimated that Mr. Sadick was not concerned with the appeal.

Inflexible Rule.

This morning, Mr. Jenkin said his contention was that, fund or no fund, the beneficiaries under the clause were entitled to interim interest, and apart altogether from the decision of the Full Court, he would submit that that was the inflexible rule in administration proceedings, in the absence only of any indication of an express nature in the will itself. Only one case had been cited to show that that rule was not applied, but in that case the language was clear, and testator stated that the legacy was not to be paid until certain litigation had terminated.

Counsel submitted that, interest being payable, it could rightly be paid by the trustees under the will annually, or, if funds were not available for annual payments, then it should be paid as and when funds were available for that purpose.

Funds Available.

Continuing, Mr. Jenkin said interest was payable out of any available funds, and in the present case there were available funds. Therefore, there should be no bar at all to payments of interest. There was no reason why interest should not be paid and, in fact, interest had been paid at another rate.

Dealing with the point that interest should be paid from year to year, counsel cited authorities which, he claimed, showed interest had been so paid and should be so paid. He continued that the Courts had followed the principle that there should be an actual intermediate payment of interest due on legacies. He would submit it was quite clear that if, in fact, it was not the right thing to do, it was, in fact, a thing which was done in practice whether funds were available or not.

Counsel continued to deal with the language of the will on the point as to whether or not the Holy Church of Nazareth was the real residuary legatee, and as to whether the bequests were legacies or not, submitting that they were legacies. He continued. (Continued on Page 7.)

PREMIER IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

CARDINAL PRINCIPLE OF BRITISH POLICY.

NAVAL DISARMAMENT.

London, Feb. 27.

British naval policy was the subject of questions in the House of Commons to-day when Mr. G. le M. Mander, the Liberal M.P. for Wolverhampton (East) asked whether it was the Government's policy to arrive by international agreement at the largest possible scrapping of battleship tonnage.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, the Prime Minister, replied that he had nothing to add to the British Memorandum, which set out British policy very clearly, and was issued on February 7.

Commander Kenworthy asked whether the sentence in the Memorandum looking to the eventual disappearance of battleships is the policy of the British delegation to the Conference.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald: "It is the policy of the British Government. It is an aim that has got to be attained by international agreement. We cannot go one pound avoirdupois beyond what the other Powers do. (Conservative cheers.)"

The Premier added that he certainly expected to arrive at an international agreement for naval disarmament.—*Reuter.*

AERIAL & RAILWAY CO-OPERATION.

INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT AT HOME.

London, Feb. 27.

Brigadier General Hon. Everard Baring, the Chairman of the Southern Railway, announced at the annual meeting that the Company had acquired a shareholding interest in the Imperial Airways and had made an arrangement with the latter for co-operation in running air services.

If the Southern Railway used its powers to run air services, these would be operated by the Imperial Airways, while the Southern Railway would be helpful to the Imperial Airways in the way of through bookings and advertising.—*British Wireless.*

MURDER OF BRITISH OFFICER.

KILLED IN FIGHT WITH THREE BURGLARS.

Peshawar, Feb. 27.

Investigations into the murder of Lieutenant Hawkes, of the Royal Engineers, who was found dead in his bungalow at Landikotal on Wednesday, seem to show that he was awakened from his sleep by burglars, a scuffle ensuing.

It is believed that two of the intruders struck him with a heavy weapon, breaking his collar-bone, while another stabbed him, inflicting a mortal wound. No arrests have yet been made.—*Reuter.*

EX-SHAH OF PERSIA PASSES AWAY.

DEPOSED KING DIES IN FRANCE.

Paris, Feb. 27.

The death occurred to-day of Achmed Mirza, the former Shah of Persia, who was deposed by the present ruler, Riza Khan in October, 1925.

The ex-Shah has been living in France since 1923, spending most of his time in the peace of the Riviera. He protested when the British Government and the Russian Government recognised Riza Khan as Shah in 1926, but latterly had resigned himself to the inevitable.—*Reuter.*

A widow residing at 67, Austin Road was alleged, before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, to have kidnapped two boys, both of whom were stated to be six years of age. The defendant was remanded for one week formally.

FIGHT AWARDED TO SHARKEY.

PHIL SCOTT LOSES TITLE BOUT.

"TECHNICAL KNOCK-OUT" IN THIRD ROUND.

DETAILS OF DECISION NOT TO HAND.

WORLD'S CHAMPION.

Jack Sharkey won the heavy-weight championship of the world at Miami, Florida, last night, says a Reuter message received in the Colony shortly after noon to-day. Phil Scott, the British champion, was defeated by a technical knock-out in the third round of the contest, which was scheduled to go fifteen.

Greatest excitement prevailed and Sharkey remained a warm favourite right up to the commencement of the contest, in spite of the fact that when the contenders officially weighed-in during the afternoon, it was disclosed that Scott would have an advantage of eight pounds in weight. Scott weighed in 14 st. 9 lbs. and Sharkey at 14 st. 1 lb.

How T. K. O. Arises.

A definition of the technical knock-out which resulted in Scott's defeat has not yet been received. Only two possibilities seem to arise, one, that the referee stopped the fight on the ground that Scott was taking excessive punishment and was unable to defend himself, and the other, that Scott received some injury which incapacitated him.

Hongkong's Interest.

The bout has excited world-wide interest, reflected in Hongkong, the *Telegraph* being deluged with enquiries as to the result long before it could possibly be known, Hongkong being some thirteen hours ahead of Miami.

Great disappointment will be felt among the British community, who while feeling that Sharkey might prove too much for Scott, had hoped that the first Englishman to obtain a chance at the world's title in 28 years, would justify the honour. The last English holder of the title was Bob Fitzsimmons, who lost it in 1902.

Scott's Confidence.

Scott was very confident before the fight. His last words before retiring for his pre-fight rest were: Give my love to my wife and kiddies and tell them I will bring home the champion-ship.

Sharkey was bombastically assured, saying: Scott is a mere set-up for me.

Scott was reported to be suffering from depression before the contest, but the arrival of E.M. S. Durban and four destroyers with a host of bluejackets anxious to see the contest banished the feeling. The bluejackets gave Scott three ringing cheers when he visited the Durban, and he returned to his camp with fresh confidence.

CANTON LECTURES.

AN INTERESTING SERIES ARRANGED.

Canton, Feb. 27.
The Arts and Science Club of the Lingnam University of Hong Lok Canton, have arranged a very varied and interesting programme of lectures for the present season. These include "Meeting of Extremes in Contemporary Philosophy," by W. T. Chan; Ph. D. Assistant Professor of Sociology, Lingnam University, on March 21st; "Peoples of Siam" (with lantern slides), by Dr. Phil. Wilhelm Credner, Professor of Geography, Sun Yat-sen University, on April 18th; "Control of Foreign Policy," by H. C. Brownell, M.A., Professor of History, Lingnam University, on May 16th; "China's New International Relationships," by P. S. Wu Ph.D., Assistant to Presidents, Lingnam University.—*Our Own Correspondent.*



Some good action pictures of the match in Shanghai a week ago between Loh Hwa and the Wiltshire Regiment, when the teams battled for the right to enter the final of the Senior Cup Competition. Centre photo shows a portion of the huge crowd that witnessed the match. A drawn game resulted, Loh Hwa scoring through Tai in the first ten minutes, and the Wilts equalising from a penalty in the second half.



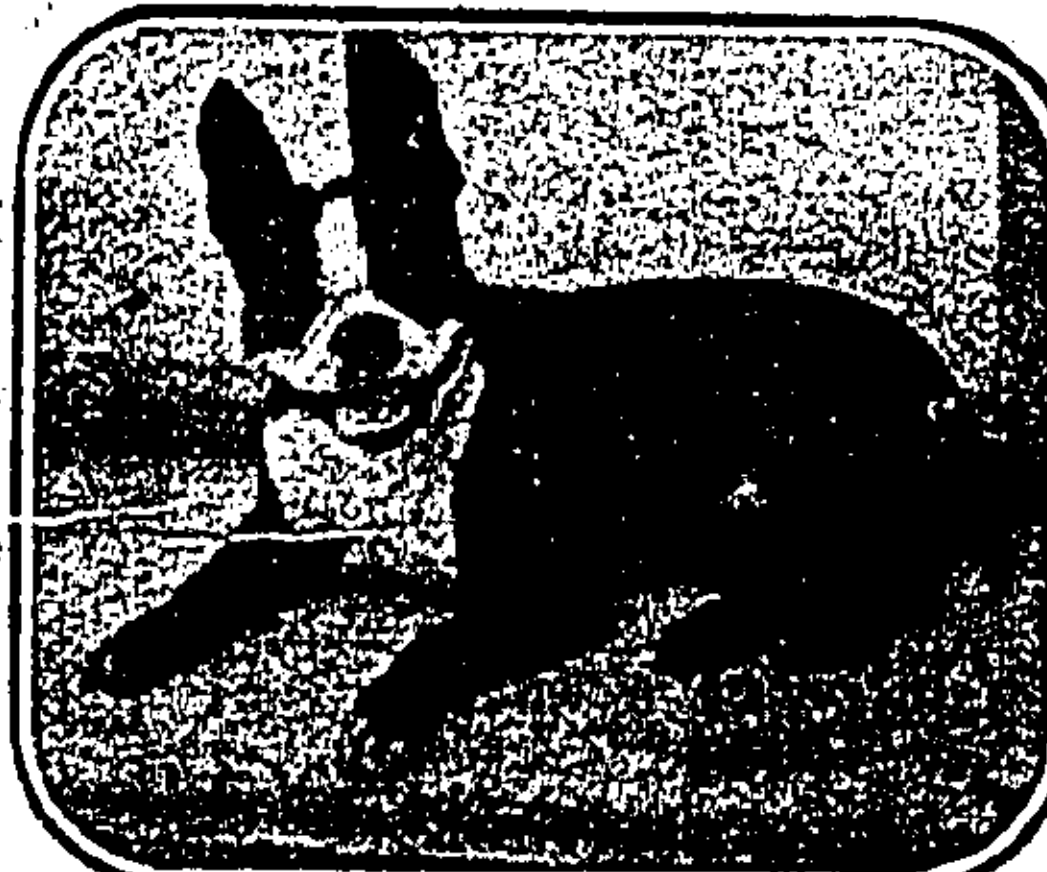
The Palace Hotel, Shanghai, was the scene of an enjoyable interport dinner, when visitors from Tientsin and Hongkong were the guests of the Shanghai Football Association. An unusually large crowd attended the dinner, which was followed by songs and speeches by various members of the soccer teams.



Mr. Jack Grieg at the start of a recent hunt in Shanghai.



Eli, of the Shepherd Dog Club of China, a prize winner in the 1929 American Police Dog Competition.



Ace, whom his absent-minded friends at times address as Douce.



Mr. H. E. Wright who has been appointed Manager of the Yorkshire Insurance Co., Ltd., Shanghai branch.

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Signorina Edda Mussolini, the daughter of the Italian Dictator, whose engagement was recently announced. Edda, who is 21, is to marry Count Ciano, Secretary to the Italian Embassy to the Holy See, who is well travelled, having undertaken, among other things, an exploration in China.



Photo taken at a recent dinner given by members of the Japanese Community in Shanghai.



Photo taken at the annual dinner of the Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd., at which Mr. R. Mein Austin presided.

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22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th, February and 1st March, 1930.

On Saturday 22nd February the first race will be run at 2 p.m. and on all other days at 12 o'clock noon. On the first day the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and on the other four days at 11.30 a.m. Members' Badges and Enclosure.

Members' Badges may be obtained by those members who have not already received them on application to the Secretary.

Such Badges will also ensure admission to all Extra Race Meetings during 1930.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.—per day or \$40.—for the Meeting (ladies \$4.—and \$16.—respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for payment of all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

Public Enclosure.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.—per day for all persons, including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.—per day.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Servants' Passes.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Alexandra Building.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1930.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th March, 1930 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries close at 12 o'clock noon on Monday, 3rd March, 1930.

Hongkong 19th February, 1930.

New Advertisements**THEATRE ROYAL****TO-NIGHT****The English Singers****NOTICE.**

A DANCE will be held in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, Wanchai, on Saturday evening next, commencing at 8.30 p.m. The charge for admission will be 75 cents including refreshments—Ladies by courtesy. A new venture has been tried in connection with this Dance. Through the courtesy of Messrs. Moutrie's it has been possible to secure the latest Dance Band Radio Records and these have been amplified and played on a Victor Radio from a Pick-up. The result is a great success, with perfect time and fine harmony. Whilst it has been possible by this process to secure music by some of the leading dance bands of the world, it has also enabled a reduction to be made in the charge for admission. It is felt that those who patronise this Dance will not be disappointed.

G. R.**NOTICE.****PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION** to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of March, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
1	No. 2180.	At the Junction of Kowloon Street and Tai Kok Tsui.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	4,000	\$10	\$10,000
As per sale plan.						

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
4	No. 2181.	Near Tsun Wan, D.D. 446.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	4,000	\$10	\$10,000
As per sale plan.						

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1929, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of one Pound Sterling, is payable on and after the 24th February, 1930, at the offices of the Corporation, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1930.**G. R.****HONG KONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.**

The Institute will re-open on Monday March 3rd.

Students joining Classes held at Queen's College or the Bellios School will be enrolled at the Education Department Office only; those joining Classes held at the Central British School, Kowloon, will be enrolled at that school.

Entry Forms and copies of Prospectus may be obtained at the Education Department or at the Central British School.

O. A. DINNER.

It is proposed to hold an Old Alleyman Dinner on Wednesday, March the 5th at 8.15 p.m. at Messrs. Lane Crawford & Company Limited's Restaurant, Will all A. A.'s wishing to attend send in their names to the undersigned.

H. L. DENNIS,
8, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hongkong.
or to
S. E. EDGAR,
c/o Messrs. Bradley & Co., Ltd.**G. R.****NOTICE.****PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION** to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of March, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in square feet.	Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
3	No. 2180.	At the Junction of Kowloon Street and Tai Kok Tsui.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	4,000	\$10	\$10,000
As per sale plan.						

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4	No. 2181.	Near Tsun Wan, D.D. 446.	N. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	4,000	\$10	\$10,000
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HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LTD.**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED** will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 18th day of March 1930, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN THAT THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY will be closed from TUESDAY, the 18th March, 1930, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1930.**GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that the 41st Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Wednesday the 19th day of March, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 8th March, 1930, to Wednesday, 19th March, 1930 both days inclusive.
By order of the Board of Directors,
Shewan, Tomes & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1930.**THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY LIMITED.**

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-first Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Wednesday 12th March 1930 at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1929, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 28th February 1930 to 12th March 1930, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1930.**CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.****OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO. LTD.**
And
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.Consignees per Company's Vessel, "TEUCER"
From SEATTLE, VANCOUVER and VICTORIA via JAPAN.

are requested to take delivery of Flour, and Lumber shipments as soon as the vessel is ready to discharge and are hereby notified that if their lighters are not placed alongside the steamer as required, their shipments will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, at their expense, where the cargo will lie also at their risk and expense and subject to the terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. Steamer will commence discharge on the 28th February.

General cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to the terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from the Godown on and after 28th February.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all General Cargo remaining undelivered after the 6th March, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 20th March, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.Agents.
Hongkong, 28th February, 1930.

There will be a very large audience at the Theatre Royal to-night for the final appearance of the English Singers. It was, of course, a foregone conclusion that booking would be heavy, and a glance at the seating plan at Moutrie's yesterday afternoon clearly indicated that the majority of seats have been booked. There were a few left, and we advise lovers of music who have not heard these famous singers, to make early application this morning for seats.

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The undermentioned Certificates for Shares in this Company have been declared LOST and if at the expiration of ONE MONTH from the date hereof the documents are not forthcoming the said Certificates will be deemed CANCELLED and of no effect and new Certificates will be issued by the Company.

Certificate	No.	Shares	17516/17615
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"	3798 - 100	"	81835/81809
"	3799 - 50	"	149373/149397
"	3800 - 100	"	18271/18320
"	3801 - 24	"	194491/194580
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All in the name of Chan Ching Shek

For The HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1930.**POST OFFICE NOTICE****RADIO NOTICES.**

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless services may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of P. & O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

It is notified for information that with effect from 26.2.30 the local currency rates for radio telegrams to the countries named below will be increased as shown:

Indo-China \$0.65
Siam 0.90
Netherlands East Indies 1.10**INWARD MAILS.**

From	Per	Due
U. S. A. (Seattle, 8th February), Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Pierce	February 28.
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 8th February)	Macedonia	February 28.
Shanghai and Swatow	San Ning	March 1.
Straits	Atsuta Maru	March 3.
Manila	President Madison	March 8.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 6th Feb.) Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Taiyo Maru	March 4.
Japan	Sydney Maru	March 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Kashmir	March 7.
Canada (Victoria B.C. 15th Feb.) U.S.A. Honolulu Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Canada	March 8.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 14th Feb.) Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Jackson	March 10.
Australia and Manila	St. Albans	March 10.
Australia and Manila	Tai Ping	March 11.

OUTWARD MAILS.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Rawalpindi	Fri., Feb. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Fri., Feb. 28, 4 p.m.
Haiphong	G. G. Paul	Sat., Mar. 1, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Macedonia	Sat., March 1. K.P.O.
	Parcels	Feb. 28, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	Mar. 1, 9 a.m.
	Letters	10 a.m.
	G.P.O.	10 a.m.
	Parcels	Feb. 28, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Mar. 1, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 28th March.)	
	G. G. Paul	Sat., Mar. 1, 8.30 a.m.
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	Registration	Sat., Mar. 1, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Sat., Mar. 1, 4.30 p.m.
	Pres. Madison	Sat., Mar. 1, 4.30 p.m.
	Rakuyo Maru	Sat., Mar. 1, 5 p.m.
	Wai Shing	Sat., Mar. 1, 5 p.m.
	New Mathilde Sun	Mar. 2, 8.30 a.m.
	Hamburg Maru Sun	Mar. 2, 8.30 a.m.
	Canton Maru	Sun., Mar. 2, 9 a.m.
	Kaying	Sun., Mar. 2, 9 a.m.
	Kutsang	Mon., Mar. 3.
	Parcels	1 Noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	Hydrangea	Mon., Mar. 3, 2.30 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Pamama Maru	Sat., Mar. 1, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hai Yang	Sat., Mar. 1, 1 p.m.
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CINEMA NOTES.

BROWN SCORES IN VIVID PLAY.

Clarence Brown, the director who made 'Flash and the Devil', one of the triumphs of the decade, scores again with another drama from the pen of the same author, Hermann Sudermann, in 'Wonder of Women', his new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer drama now playing at the Queen's Theatre, with sound synchronization and dialogue sequences.

Like the former, the story is an intimate tale of German life, dealing with the life and loves of a German composer and the wife to whom he always returns as his one great love. Lewis Stone plays the husband, 'Tromholt', in a splendidly balanced performance, and Peggy Wood, famous stage star makes a living, breathing reality of the wife. Leila Hyams is a beautiful charmer as 'Karen', the opera singer.

Sarah Padden as the family servant, Harry Myers as the cynical music critic, George Fawcett as the old doctor, and others of note are in the cast.

Brown's deft human touches in the intimate home scenes and in Peggy Wood's dramatic encounter with the thief of her husband's lover, are cleverly handled, and the settings, including an entire replica of a German town, railroad stations, trains, and a huge Berlin opera house, are specially realistic. Bess Meredyth adapted the new play from Sudermann's 'The Wife of Stephen Tromholt'.

Street Scene Wrecked.

Instead of building sets for exterior scenes in 'Marianne', which opens to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre as a new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer all-talking feature starring Marion Davies, the property man wrecked an entire street scene instead.

The new picture has a locale of post-war France and the wrecking work was done to give the street realistic atmosphere for the romantic-comedy action.

In the picture Miss Davies plays the part of a French peasant girl who falls in love with a doughboy, a role played by Lawrence Gray, New York stage favourite.

Robert Z. Leonard directed the picture with Cliff Edwards, Benny Rubin, Victor Potel, Robert Castle and others of note in the supporting cast.

Thrills in 'The Gorilla.'

For thrills, chills and a thousand laughs see 'The Gorilla', the mystery comedy melodrama that opened at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon last night, with Charlie Murray and Fred Kelsey featured as the two demon sleuths, Mulligan and Garrity. 'The Gorilla', written by Ralph Spence as a stage play, in its screen version is one of the fastest spookiest thrillers to be seen here in some time. 'The Gorilla' himself is a weird, menacing looking ape, and every time he appears the crowd shriek as if he were right in the audience.

The new screen team of Murray and Kelsey live up to their advance notices. They make a typical pair of detectives who suspect everyone in the place but themselves.

Alfred Sentell the director, is to be commended on his clever handling of a difficult story. It is closely knit and full of action. The photography is eerie and weird and proves again that a mystery angle can be carried out with all the thrills without pistol shots, screams and other sounds usually found in a play of this type. Situations are built upon situations, until almost everyone is implicated—also the gorilla.

An excellent cast, including Alice Day, Tully Marshall, Claude Gillingwater, Walter Pidgeon, Gaston Glass, Brooks Benedict, Aggie Herring and Syd Crossley, make up the inhabitants of the mystery house. Edward Small, of Asher, Small and Rogers presents 'The Gorilla' for First National.

WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Beauty Talks by Cinema Stars. Plenty of Sleep Necessary, Says Anita Page.



Sleep is nature's restorer, and nowhere is it recognized as so important to health and beauty as in Hollywood. The movie colony is often called a 9 o'clock town.

"Facials, diets and tissue cream will avail nothing if one hasn't a foundation of health and vitality to start on," Anita Page explains. "Youth and beauty soon forsake those who burn the midnight oil. That is why we moving picture players have to follow an early retiring schedule. Therefore, if you are in earnest in your beauty campaign, do not neglect your beauty sleep!"

"I allow myself one night a week for dancing or parties later than 11 p.m. While I'm working on a picture I always retire immediately after a light supper and sleep until 7 a.m. Between

For Clever Fingers.

SEALING WAX WORK.

The idea of transforming a jar into a thing of beauty for a few pence sounds incredible. Nevertheless, a jar or other common object, which has been awaiting the arrival of the ragman, can be made into a really beautiful and expensive looking ornament by the veriest amateur. The miracle is performed with the aid of a few sticks of sealing wax, and the article itself is entirely covered with molten wax giving to it a costly enamelled appearance of singular beauty.

The materials required are few and simple. First of all, procure a small methylated spirit lamp with a round wick or, if owned, a bunsen burner will do better still. In addition to this, several sticks of ordinary sealing wax of different colours will be all that is required.

Having now obtained a jam jar, old vase, or other object, the first step is to see that the article is

clean and dry. Then choose the colours to be used. Let us suppose them to be red and gold, and that red is to be the predominating colour. Dab the surface of the jar with blobs of red sealing wax, and allow them to harden. Then revolve the article over the flame of the spirit lamp, so that the wax melts and runs into the other blobs. Continue until the entire surface is covered with an even coating of wax. Then place the object at one side and allow the wax to harden.

Next, apply the gold in exactly the same manner though at wider intervals, and allow the wax to run into the red background, and so give the object a streaked effect.

Great care must be taken to see that lamp does not smoke, and so impair the beauty of the object.

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Today's Recipe.

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One pound round steak, 4 onions, 3 or 4 medium sized potatoes, 1 cup diced carrots, 1 can peas, 3 tablespoons butter, 2 teaspoons minced parsley.

Trim meat and cut in pieces for serving. Melt butter in frying pan and add onions cut in slices. Cook until a light brown and turn into casserole. Add a little water to frying pan to rinse it out and pour over onions. Rub frying pan with fat cut from meat and sear meat quickly on both sides. Put into casserole on top of onions. Sprinkle with parsley, salt and pepper. Add enough hot water to cover onions. Add potatoes pared and cut in slices of cubes, carrots and peas drained from liquor. Cover and cook in a slow oven for two hours. Serve from casserole.

This dish served with a salad and dessert provides a full meal that is well balanced and nourishing.

cardboard plates that ice are served on.

Melt several sticks of sealing wax in a small pan over a fire. When thoroughly molten dip the small plates in the wax and allow to set hard. The result will be a beautiful glossy effect of costly appearance.

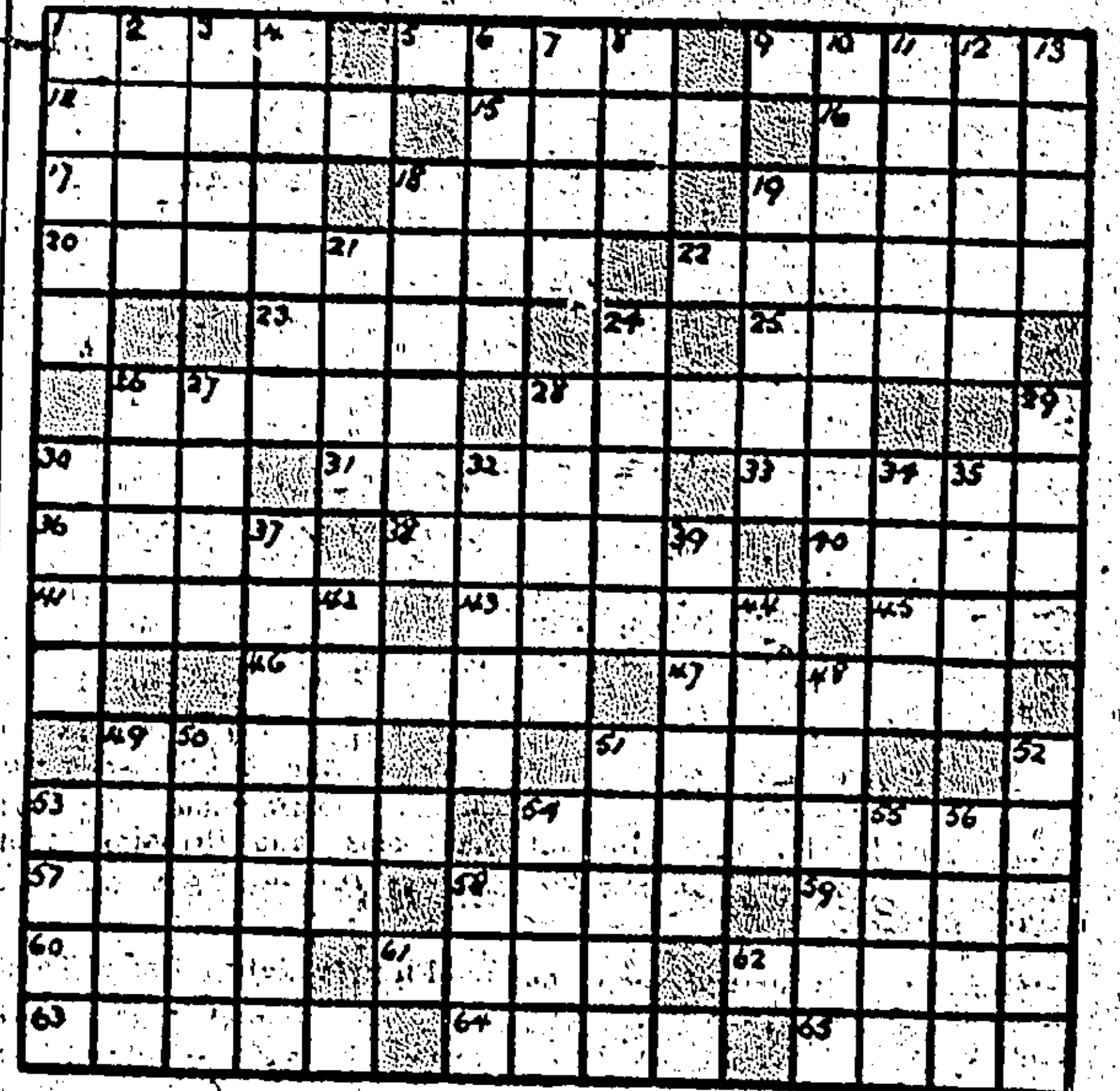
Sealing wax art is a simple hobby requiring no expensive materials, yet capable of producing objects of a high artistic level.

A Smart Gown.



Aquamarine-blue crepe satin is a splendid medium in which to carry out the "little" afternoon frock that is such an important item in the wardrobe just now. The group of horizontal tucks in front gives a pretty rucked line over the hips, while the very new skirt, the small stand-up neck frill, and the frilled sleeves are other features worthy of note.

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33 Burn.
36 Lord of animals.
38 Short lances.
40 Calm.
41 Collection of maps.
43 Negotiate.
45 Crimson.
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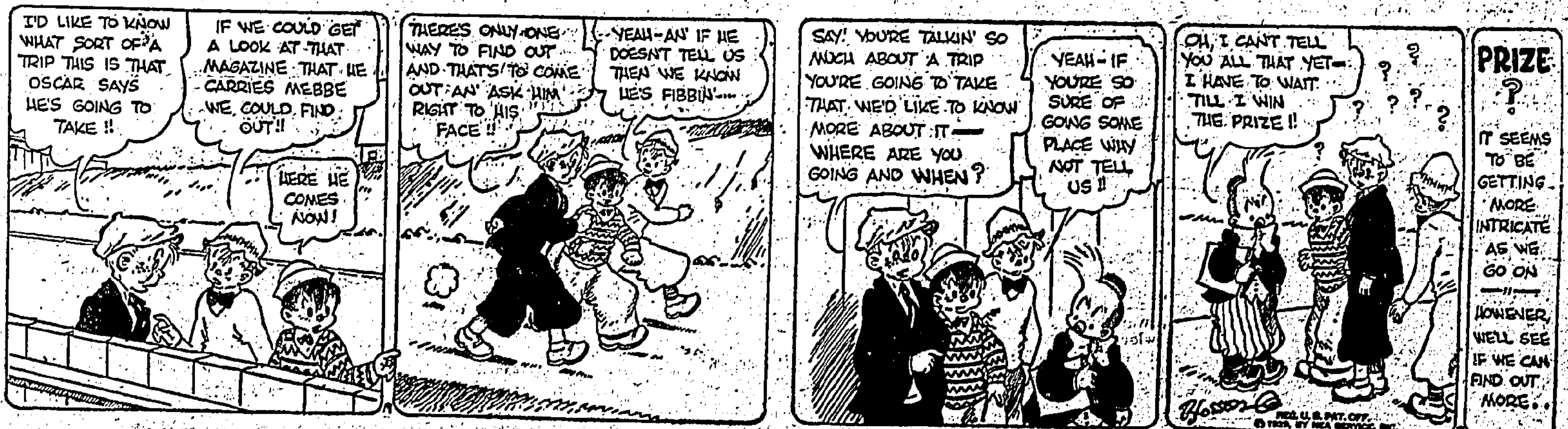
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MARRIAGE.

The marriage between Mr. James Arthur Kent and Miss Annie Cross will take place at the St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on Saturday, 8th March, 1930, at 3.00 p.m. No invitations are being issued, but all friends and relatives are cordially invited to be present at the ceremony, and afterwards at the Church Hall where a reception will be held.

**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

FRIDAY FEB. 28, 1930.

**THE COLONIAL OFFICE
CONFERENCE.**

Questions of the highest importance to all the Crown Colonies, Hongkong included, will be considered at the forthcoming Colonial Office Conference, to be held in June. This gathering, which is not to be confused with the Imperial Conference, will be attended by representatives of the non-self-governing Colonies, and, as at the previous one, held in 1927, Hongkong will have an official representative. A point which has once more been raised is the question of the advisability of Unofficial representation, and a decision on this matter is to be reached at the coming Conference. There is, in our opinion, every reason why this Colony should send an Unofficial delegate, for by this means it would be possible to bring forward many points of public interest which stand in danger of being ignored so long as the Conference is composed wholly of Officials. Unofficial opinion on all the manifold issues to come before the gathering would be most welcome.

The problems of the Colonial Empire, we fear, get all too little consideration under existing arrangements. It has no separate spokesman in the House of Commons, although the Labour Government is planning that it shall have, leaving purely Dominion affairs in the hands of Lord Passfield. It is interesting in this connexion to recall that some nations with colonial possessions make provision for direct representation of such colonies in their Home Parliaments. Portugal, for instance, is one example, Macao, amongst other colonies, being permitted to select a member for that purpose. It may well be that in the course of time, Hongkong will be similarly placed, but that time is not yet. The least, however, that could be done

would be to adopt the suggestion that at these periodical Colonial Office Conferences one or more Unofficials be permitted to be present on behalf of the Colony.

If it were found impracticable for a member of the Legislative Council to attend, then a way out might be found by the choice from former residents, now living at Home, of someone acquainted with the Colony and its problems. At the last Conference, matters of the utmost importance were dealt with, including the future development of the Crown Colony Legislatures, the relation of the technical to the administrative services, aerial, road and railway development, wireless, medical and public health questions, and education. All these are questions with which Hongkong, in common with the other Colonies, has the liveliest concern. It may be taken for granted that at the coming gathering there will be brought forward issues which are equally vital.

One very important matter already mentioned is that of the working and application of the Colonial Development Fund. Hongkong has already received some benefit from this source, in the promise of a big contribution towards the aerodrome, and it would not be difficult to make out a good case for further claims on the Fund. Already it has been suggested that the proposed vehicular ferry scheme might very well be brought within the purview of the Fund, in order that the capital expenditure involved might not fall too heavily on the Colony. This is a matter which we should like to see pressed home at the coming Conference, if not before, for in these days of motor transport it cannot be disputed that the provision of such a service is essential to the due development of the Colony. In any event, Hongkong will follow with the deepest interest the proceedings of the Conference when it eventually assembles. In the meantime, let us hope that a sound choice will be made in the selection of the official delegate.

Not a Paradox.

The difficulties under which Mr. Thomas is labouring in tackling the unemployment problems are strikingly shown in the latest analysis of Britain's industrial position. It is generally held that the outlook is definitely brighter to-day than it has been for years past. With promise of the assistance of the Bank of England and the joint stock banks, employers are pushing ahead with schemes of rationalisation. Lancashire is making a very definite bid to reduce costs of production by amalgamations. The patience and determination exerted by British business men in the last decade are having an effect and it may be accepted that Britain is at last digging itself out of the post-war depression. Yet unemployment figures are steadily rising, and Mr. Thomas recently put forward the gloomy prediction that the situation will get worse before it gets better. Rationalisation in many cases means more dismissals. It will not be until rationalisation has had the effect of rebuilding the export trade that any great inroads on the present figures will be possible, though the Government proposes to advance as many schemes as possible for alleviation. In England the tendency is to pessimism, and one of Mr. Thomas's most difficult tasks is to overcome that feeling. That it is not shared universally is shown by a recent comment in a leading American paper, which says that the time cannot be far distant when British and American exports will be riding on equal terms throughout the trade routes of the world. The journal adds that American industrialists should be the last to view either with apprehension or displeasure the return of British goods to their old position of prominence in the world markets. British industrialists will be equally short-sighted if they look upon expanding exports as halting the onward march of American commerce. Notwith-

DAY BY DAY.

O YE CONS! WHAT THICK ENCIRCLING DARKNESS BLINDS THE MINDS OF MEN!—Ovid.

The flagship, H.M.S. Keats, is leaving Hongkong to-day for Singapore and will return here about March 12.

Mrs. G. P. de Martin is to present the prizes at the Kowloon branch of the Wah Yan College on the afternoon of March 11th.

A sum of money, found in the Public Enclosure at the Race Course on Wednesday evening, is awaiting a claimant at the Police Headquarters.

For cutting stone from land not under lease at Kramer Street, Telokkusu, a Chinese was fined \$5 by Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The defendant said that he had had a contract to supply a contractor with small stones.

Appearing on remand on charges of dealing in the sale of two children, a man and a woman were again remanded by Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when it was stated that the case would be heard on the afternoons of March 12 and 13.

The theft of five tons of coal from the M.B.K. coal yard is reported by Mr. Y. Kawaguchi, manager of the yard, who states that during the night of the 26th and 27th, some person stole the coal, which was valued at \$80. It was later recovered in the Ming Kee coal yard, Shek Leung Street, but no arrests have been made.

"Twelfth Night" was recently staged at Le Petit Theatre, New Orleans, under the direction of Walter Sinclair, formerly of Hongkong. It was hailed as a great achievement, one critic saying that the settings were among the most beautiful, if not the most lovely, ever shown on a New Orleans stage.

Shortly after 10 o'clock this morning three men gained admission to the first floor of 93, Apilu Street, Shamshuipo, and robbed the inmates of a pair of rattan bangles. Only brief details were available when enquiry was made this morning as the police were still taking statements from the persons effected. It was stated, however, that no arms were used.

Under the auspices of the University Engineering Society a course of six popular lectures on "Modern Architecture" will be given in the University on Thursdays at 5.15 p.m. by Mr. C. E. Moore, Bachelor in Architecture (Liverpool University), A. M. I. S. T. The first lecture will be given on Thursday, March 6th. The general public is invited to attend.

Arrested on a charge of causing an obstruction by leaving 50 cabbies of firewood outside his shop in Peking Road, a Chinese appeared before Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of obstruction and of giving a bribe of 45 cents to an Indian constable. On the first charge the defendant was fined \$2, whilst a fine of \$5 was imposed on the second.

In consequence of the receipt of a circular letter from the Canton Kuomintang Committee, requesting the prohibition of indecent news items and literature detrimental to public morals, the Canton Municipality has issued a notification to the public banning the mention of obscenity items in the newspapers. The Bureau of Public Safety, Education and Social Reforms have also been notified to co-operate in this matter.

Described as an odd job coolie, who worked in various docks, a Chinese appeared before Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of larceny of 2½ pounds of lead piping from Messrs. W. S. Bailey's shipyard. The defendant pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour. Mr. J. Fraser repeated what he had often said before, that there was a lot of petty thefts from the yard, and it seemed impossible to put a stop to the larcenies.

standing a certain measure of direct competition, the rebuilding of British foreign trade and the continued progress of American commerce are not incompatible; they are complementary. The success of one contributes to the success of the other. This conclusion is based on no mere theoretical fluff; it is based upon practical economic and established facts. Trade does not thrive on poverty, it thrives upon the increasing wealth of friendly countries.

21 YEARS AGO.**SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.**

The following extracts are from the Hongkong Telegraph for week ended February 27th, 1909.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 8½d.

Mr. H. K. Hung was admitted to practise as a solicitor at the Supreme Court.

The Hongkong A.D.C. presented "A Country Girl." Amongst the cast were Mrs. W. Logan and Mr. G. P. Lammert.

The formal presentation of the Manse built at the expense of Sir

**THE "TELEGRAPH" ART
SUPPLEMENT.**

Many Race Week Pictures To-morrow.

Race Week pictures will figure prominently in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement.

Several finishes, including the Derby, will be shown, as well as the leading in of many of the winners. Other pictures will show the big crowds attending the Meeting, the new stands, and Mr. Heard escorting Miss Barbara Sutton to tiffin after the presentation of the Ladies' Purse.

Other sporting pictures will include a group of lady golfers at Fanling, the Portuguese crew in the recent International Regatta, and several illustrations of the Inter-Hong rowing race for the Hornell Cup.

Vice-Admiral Sir A. K. Waistell's visit to Macao will also be illustrated.

Paul Chater for St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, was marked by a special service, at which the dedication ceremony was performed by the Bishop of Victoria.

The Chinese members of the Legislative Council opposed the amendment of the Magistrates Ordinance making provision for regulations in regard to the prohibition of spitting in public places. The Bill, however, passed its third reading.

H.E. Senhor J. A. Rocadas, Governor of Macao, paid an official visit to the Colony and was given a reception at the Club Lusitano.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Feb. 27.
Paris	124.25
Brussels	34.855
Amsterdam	12.125
Berlin	20.37
Copenhagen	18.16
Vienna	34.515
Helsingfors	193.4
Lisbon	108.25
Bucharest	818
Buenos Aires	42.516
Shanghai	1.11
Yokohama	2.09/32
New York	4.88 1/32
Geneva	25.105
Milan	92.76
Stockholm	18.11
Oslo	18.175
Prague	164.4
Madrid	39.625
Athens	375
Rio	5.9/16
Bombay	1/5 27/32
Hong Kong	1/6
Silver (spot)	19 11/16
Silver (forward)	19 9/16

—British Wireless.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A Sweep Query.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—Will you permit me a few lines in your valuable columns as I cannot understand why the Committee of the Lusitano Sweeps on the Champs did not disclose the number of tickets that were cancelled as that is an unusual departure of theirs.

Thanking you for inserting this in your next issue, I enclose my card.—Yours, etc.

INTERESTED.

Because he had not taken the necessary precautions of attaching to a receptacle, in which was contained gunpowder and fuse, a label bearing in conspicuous characters in English and Chinese the description of the contents of the tin, a stone-breaker who appeared before Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning was fined \$5.

The Very Idea!

"Is it not strange," asks a correspondent in a Home paper, "that in these days of numerous reforms many business-letter writers are content with a stock of worn-out phrases inherited from their predecessors? Modern-minded printers discard old-fashioned type designs but in their mental composing-rooms thousands of business men still use a lot of pre-War and Victorian stuff which is nothing but jargon."

"A veritable outrage is the misuse of 'same' instead of 'it.' Examples: 'Referring to same' and 'same shall have our attention.' 'As per' is another horror, which has usurped the place of 'according to.' 'Contents noted' is superfluous to the degree of absurdity. Surely an answer to a letter is proof positive that it has been noted. 'I have your letter before me' is in the same class. Heaps of similar rubbish is used daily by traders who consider themselves up-to-date, and really are so until they begin to dictate."

We agree with the correspondent; but think the most loathsome phrase in business jargon is "your good self."

"What does that say mummy?" "All dogs found on these premises without their owners will be shot." "Oh, mummy! that isn't fair. The poor dogs can't read."

(The correct pronunciation of horticultural names is beyond the average gardener.)

With vigour intensive and means inexpensive I, duly produced a crop.

Of blooms in perfection, of which any section Would easily stock a shop. My peds were prolific, my marrows terrific.

The runners and carrots superb, And the plot that I rented was fragrantly scented.

With every conceivable herb. But, though fortune is kindly, I'm labouring blindly.

(What is the Latin for cross?) Without which result your beloved horticulture

Is not a pronounced success.

A school teacher had been giving a lesson on classical mythology, and was afterwards testing the pupils' knowledge.

"Who was Bacchus?" he asked. There was no reply.

"Come, my lads," he said. "Venus was the goddess of Love—Mars, the god of War—Bacchus, the god of—"

"Bookmakers!" piped one bright lad.

Nottingham Wife—If husband and I go out together it always means high words.

Solicitor at Bow County Court—You have an extravagant wife? Man—What man has not?

Mr. Justice Hill, in the High Court—My only acquaintance with motor cars is dodging them.

Magistrate at Highgate—The only way to stop a woman talking it to get hold of her and kiss her.

Clerk at Highgate—How many children have you? Woman—Seven—and one in the Army.

Barrister, at Lewes County Court—Are you a teetotaler? Woman—Yes. Barrister—Is your husband? Woman—No; but he does not work.

**WHO WAS—?
GRETCHEN?**

It is in Goethe's version of the Faust story that we first find a serious love element introduced.

Margaret, or Gretchen, as she is more familiarly known, was a simple country girl, who attracted Faust by her beauty and artless innocence, by her high spirits and her pretty, harmless vanity. Faust would have married her, had not Mephistopheles sternly reminded him that in his contract with the Devil, by which he received fresh lease of his youth in exchange for his soul, marriage was forbidden him.

Margaret and her lover struggled against their mutual passion, but nature, aided and abetted by Mephistopheles, proved stronger than conscience, and poor Gretchen embarked on the disastrous course which brought her to dishonour and death. For having strangled her child, she was cast into prison, where shame and despair unhinged a mind, temperamentally unfitted to face high tragedy. Her repentant lover, sought by all means to procure her escape, but was not even granted the slight solace of watching beside her deathbed, being himself dragged away by Mephistopheles to pay the price of his own bargain with the Prince of Darkness.

The character of Gretchen is reminiscent of two women who figured in the poet's life, Gretchen, whom he loved, and Frederike, who loved him.

ARMED ROBBER'S REVOLVER.**WOMAN FAILS TO REPORT ITS DISCOVERY.****FINED AT KOWLOON.**

Failure to report the discovery of a revolver on her premises led to the appearance of a woman hawker before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of being in possession of a Colt revolver and 17 rounds of ammunition.

The defendant denied possession.

Giving evidence, Detective Inspector Fallon said he visited the defendant's premises at 648, Shanghai Street yesterday afternoon and asked for the principal tenant but was told that she was out. She was sent for and the defendant appeared. The officer informed her that he was armed with a warrant and asked if there were any arms on the premises. The defendant replied in the negative, but, concealed in a specially cut cavity in a stool, the revolver and ammunition were found.

The defendant stated that a former tenant had left a locked basket on the premises after he had left and when she had had it opened, the revolver was found inside. She suggested taking it to the police, but was told that if she took such a step her son would be killed by bad characters. As an alternative, she suggested that it should be thrown away, but the revolver had apparently been secreted in the stool by somebody.

His Worship pointed out to the defendant that when she found the revolver in the basket she became the possessor by not reporting the discovery to the police.

Detective Inspector Fallon intimated that the revolver had been used by a man in armed robberies last year, and it was for him that the police were now searching. There was no allegation that the defendant was in any way connected with the robber, but when she had found the revolver she should have handed it over to the police.

His Worship informed the woman that if she had handed the revolver over to the police when she first found it, she might have been instrumental in the robber being located.

A fine of \$200, with the alternative of three months' hard labour, was imposed.

"AND SO TO BED."**DATES FOR COMING A.D.C. PERFORMANCES.**

The dates for the A.D.C.'s performances of James Bernard Fagan's hugely successful costume play "And So To Bed" have now been definitely fixed as follows:—Saturday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, the 22nd, 25th, 27th, 28th and 29th March at 9.15 p.m. In response to many requests, a matinee performance will also be given on Wednesday, the 26th March at 4.30 p.m. It is hoped that this will be appreciated by people living in outlying districts and that there will also be a good attendance of students who should welcome the opportunity of seeing a costume play which is such a rarity in the Far East, particularly one depicting life in the days of the "Merry Monarch" Charles II.

The play depicts a day in the life of the great diarist, Mr. Pepys. The author has explained that the day in question is not actually described in the diary and that it is entirely imaginary. He calls his work a comedy, but there are so many amusing situations that it might almost be described as a farce—and costume farces are rare.

Booking will open at the Anderson Music Company on Monday, 10th March. We understand that the play will be elaborately mounted and dressed, so that full houses should be the order of the day.

S.P.C.A. DANCE.**TICKETS SHOULD BE BOOKED WITHOUT DELAY.**

Tickets for the Fancy Dress Ball organised by the S.P.C.A. are selling rapidly, and that the event will be a great success, is already assured.

It is requested that all those who have bought tickets will book their tables without delay; for, with the large number present, some confusion will be inevitable if booking is left until the last moment. Although the sale of tickets indicates that there will be many small parties, several large parties have been arranged, one of which, numbering over thirty, has decided on a most novel uniformity of fancy dress.

Table reservations may be made at the Hongkong Hotel.

CHATER WILL CASE DEVELOPMENT.

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that to say that the language of the testator must deny the true character of the seven lakhs as a legacy, because he did not use the words saying he bequeathed it as a legacy, was fallacious, because in a codicil testator referred to it in language that could be only referable to a legacy. Counsel went on to say that the right to interest in Mr. Bagram and others existed whether a fund would ever be formed or not. It did not depend on the formation of a fund. It was asked by Mr. Fetter why should Mr. Bagram get 8 per cent. on a fund which, in fact, might never be established or set apart? It did not matter whether such a fund was set apart or not. Once the prior charges under previous clauses of the will had been satisfied, anything which overflowed came into Clause 8 and the beneficiaries had an absolute right to the funds allocated to them and the interest thereon.

Funds Immaterial.

They were entitled to it and, in any case, where else could the money go? Every surplus cent had to be utilised for the purpose of gradually forming the three funds, and it was wholly immaterial whether, in fact, the fund would eventually be formed. It was quite clear from the will that testator contemplated the funds would not be formed and it was usually so with every testator.

Mr. Jenkin said they would not find an authority which laid it down that until a fund was actually formed did any right to interest accrue. That argument was contrary to the principles laid down in the authorities which he had cited.

Mr. Jenkin denied the suggestion that there was no question as to the rate of Mr. Bagram's interest when the matter was before the Full Court. The result of Mr. Justice Wood's decision was that Mr. Bagram was to get eight per cent. Mr. Jenkin asked whether it was possible to construe the judgment of the Full Court as denying the right of interest to the beneficiaries. He contended that it was not and was never intended to be.

What Court Assumed.

Sir Henry Gollan:—We assumed rightly or wrongly that everyone before us was agreed that Clause 7 of the will governed the situation and, without going into it as closely as we ought to have done, we accepted statements from members of the Bar and then delivered a short judgment. We hoped that some arrangement would be come to. There is no doubt about it that, without considering the matter closely, we did assume that everyone before us agreed that the rights of the parties were governed by Clause 7. You say, Mr. Jenkin, that assumption was wrong, because you say you went on to make a request that you had not given up your argument as to the rate of interest.

Mr. Jenkin suggested that the Full Court judgment reversed that of Mr. Justice Wood because Clause 7 destroyed the basis of it.

Sir Henry Gollan:—Assuming that Clause 7 of the will applies and that it governs the case, now do you see any way in which interest can be made available under that clause?

Mr. Jenkin:—Absolutely none. You will search in vain in any book that this clause has anything to do with interest.

The appeal is being continued this afternoon.

YESTERDAY'S POINTS.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Alabaster said that the executor had no personal interest in the result of the action save that he wished to know where he stood. Although he felt that in one sense the matter had already been concluded by the previous decision of the Full Court, he also felt that in another sense it had not been concluded in such a way as to make it safe for him to act.

He asked that the judgment of the Full Court, given before, be implemented in such a way as would enable him to act on it without continuing litigation. If, however, the Court ruled that the judgment appealed from must stand, in finding that the gift to Mr. Bagram was a legacy, then the executor felt that interest should be paid not as from the date of death but as from a year after, a point which he had argued throughout.

Mr. Jenkin's Address.

In addressing the Court, Mr. Jenkin argued on five points as follows:—1, that it was a case of ordinary legacy; 2, that they were entitled, pending payment of the legacy, upon the ordinary principle of administration, to interest; 3, that there was nothing in the will which defeated that right; 4, that that right did not depend upon setting aside all the settled funds; and 5, that interim interest might be paid annually.

After dealing with the basis of A.B.C. and D., he went on to argue

DEATH OF MR. G. H. PUTNAM.**WELL-KNOWN U.S. PUBLISHER PASSES AWAY.****CIVIL WAR PRISONER.**

New York, Feb. 27. The death is announced of Mr. George Haven Putnam, the well-known publisher.—*Reuter's American Service.*

The late Mr. Putnam, the American publisher and author, was born in London, England, in April, 1844, of American parents and taken to New York in 1848. After attending the Columbia Grammar School, New York, he returned to Europe and studied first at the Sorbonne in Paris and then at the University of Göttingen.

Going back to the U.S. in 1862, he took part in the Civil War. Enlisting as a private in a New York volunteer regiment, he was engaged throughout the conflict, rising to the rank of Major. He spent the final winter, 1864-5, as a prisoner of war at Danville, Virginia.

In the turmoil of wartime, it did not occur to him that when he became 21 his birth in England gave him the choice between British and American nationality—a fact of which he spoke in after years without saying what his choice would have been.

At the end of the war, he was made a partner in the publishing firm of G. P. Putnam and Son, a large American concern with a branch in England. In 1872, on the death of Mr. G. P. Putnam, the founder of the firm, he became its head. He took up the movement in favour of international copyright begun by his predecessor in 1837 and, becoming secretary of the American Copyright League, which G. P. Putnam had started, agitated continually till he secured the passing of the desired Bill in 1891.

He led a very active life, being at various times president or a member of several citizens' committees for the furtherance of municipal reform, Free Trade, civil service reform, etc., and he organised the National Security League. At the same time, he kept in close touch with England, spending a part of nearly every year there for about half a century and organising the American section of the English-Speaking Union.

Among Putnam's many works are "Authors and their Public in Ancient Times," "Books and their Makers in the Middle Ages," "Censorship of the Church of Rome," "Abraham Lincoln and the Struggle for National Existence," "Memories of My Youth" and books on the Civil War and his prison camp experiences. Oxford, Columbia and Pittsburgh gave him the degree of D. Litt. and from France he received the Cross of the Legion of Honour.

what "residuary estate" was. He said that the mere use of the word "residuary" in the will of a testator in relation to certain property had nothing whatsoever to do with whether or not that property was, in truth, actually residuary estate. It could not be suggested that because there was a reference to residuary estate that every disposition made in connexion with language of that class was of a residuary nature.



"We'll be down for only six weeks. Having to practice the strictest economy since I went broke on the market."

JAPAN'S NAVAL AIMS.**INSISTENCE UPON SEVENTY PER CENT. RATIO.**

Tokyo, Feb. 27. Admiral Baron Sakamoto, the well-known publicist, writing in the *Hochi*, declares that Japan is unable to conceive any solid reason for America's refusal to recognise her claim for seventy per cent. and asserts that the American Delegation ought to state its reasons if it insists on maintaining this stand.

In this connexion there appears to be a feeling in Naval circles that Britain ought to attempt to prevail upon America to accede to the Japanese claim lest the Conference break up without some concrete achievement.

It is feared that failure to reach an agreement would have a very bad effect on the international situation, at the same time damaging British prestige, as it would be regarded as showing that British statesmanship is incapable of handling a conference which Britain convened.

Indicative of Japan's determination to secure the seventy per cent. ratio or nothing, Admiral Kanji Kato, Chief of the Naval Staff, is reported to have prepared to resign on the grounds of his inability to hold himself responsible for the defence of the country if Japan accepts less.—*Reuter.*

AUSTRALIAN AFFAIRS.**MR. SCULLIN EXPLAINS THE FINANCIAL POSITION.**

Canberra, Feb. 27. Mr. Scullin, in a statement on the financial outlook, said the fall in the value and volume of exportable primary products in Australia, within recent months, was responsible for the difficulties of the exchange position on London, which were accentuated by the fact that market conditions had made Australian borrowing in London undesirable.

Although exports began to diminish in value some time ago, extensive importing continued, consequently the demand by importers and others on the London funds now exceeded the supply, notwithstanding the shipment to London of £17,000,000 of Australian gold since July. The banks, without pressure from the Government, had taken steps to conserve their London funds, and increase the bank rate as a necessary corrective. The Government would do its utmost to remedy the position.—*Reuter.*

WIRELESS STATION ON A TUG.**KAILIN MINING COMPANY'S ENTERPRISE.**

It is notified that the Kailin Mining Administration now maintains a wireless station on board the steam tug Fu Ping at Chinwangtao. The station is equipped with a Marconi 1½ K.W. quench set. The wave length used is the standard 600 meters as used by merchant vessels and a continuous watch is kept.

"V.P.C.Q." is the registered call sign of the Fu Ping, and the only messages which she will handle will be in connexion with the shipping and business of the port of Chinwangtao. No charge will be made for the receipt or despatch of such messages.

BRITAIN & SOUTH AMERICA.**ECONOMIC MISSION ISSUES ITS REPORT.****RECIPROCITY POINTS.**

London, Feb. 27. The report was issued to-night of Lord D'Abernon's Economic Mission to Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay.

The Mission points out that as Britain is the largest customer for many South American products, she has a definite claim to favourable treatment. This claim is strengthened by the fact that, in strong contrast with most importing countries, Britain now allows South American produce free entry to its vast market and has hitherto refused to listen to those who advocate Customs duties against foreign produce.

The Mission is convinced that a real advantage can be derived from negotiating on a reciprocal basis, either through block purchases similar to the system initiated in Buenos Aires, or still better, by stipulating concessions in return for the advantages offered by Great Britain as a consumer.

Reciprocity, the Mission says, might become an essential feature of British economic policy in South America, each country endeavouring to assist the other by facilities, receiving in exchange an adequate return.

Dr. Irigoyen, with foresight and prescience, demonstrated the adherence of the Argentine Government to this policy by signing with the Mission a trade agreement whereby each country undertakes to buy up to \$3,700,000 in value of the products of the other.

Referring to the enormous potentialities of Brazil, the Mission contrasts the high tariffs of that country with the absence of British tariffs against Brazilian produce. The Mission recommends that, on the British side, the removal of coffee duty should be sympathetically considered if Brazil shows signs of a reciprocal concession favouring Britain.

Regarding Uruguay, the Mission suggests that the discussions on reciprocal treatment which they initiated should be continued.—*British Wireless.*

SOME REMARKABLE INVENTIONS.**PROF. MIDDLETON SMITH'S LECTURE.**

Professor Middleton Smith lectured before the University Engineering Society last night on the subject of remarkable inventions. Modern progress, he said, had been planted for ever upon machinery, upon the steam engine, the dynamo, the whirling ether and the myriad books in print. He referred to the great benefit inventions would eventually bring to China. They would, he declared, lift the burden of toil and poverty from the lives of the millions whose days were now only drudgery and hunger.

Your ancestors, Professor Middleton Smith concluded, built great works; the grand canal and the great wall of China are monuments of their efforts. Their knowledge of the world was very limited, as compared with what is available for you. This University offers you remarkable opportunities. It was founded, by benefactors, Chinese and British, who, too, looked forward. They had faith that you, the malleable material of youth, would have the qualities of strength, tenacity and endurance necessary to take full advantage of your opportunities.

The Engineers introduced into the English language the word efficiency; it is applied now to every branch of human activity. The purpose of your training here is to increase your efficiency. We try to give you, not only facts, but the enthusiasm for your work without which no one can be efficient. You have seen the results of the great inventions, the experiments of other men in other Universities. They have gone, but their work remains. We, too, shall leave the stage and soon be forgotten; but the University will remain, a lasting monument to everyone who has wrought faithfully in it and for the great purpose for which it was founded. For the work of scholars and inventors is for the benefit, not of one man, not of one class, not of one nation, but of everyone; and especially those eager and willing to learn. In this University, we offer to you, the youth of China, almost at the doors of your homes a choice of the wisdom of all ages and all countries. May you take full advantage of your great opportunities here, and prove yourselves worthy of the faith of the founders and the labour of the teachers in this University. We, on the staff, we come to you from the Western seats of learning, believe in your efficiency—we also have faith that our work is not wasted effort, our exile is not in vain. We are anxious that your training here will make you efficient builders of a stable and prosperous China. That is our hope—that is our belief.

H/T Neuritis, due to arrive in Hongkong this morning, has been delayed by bad weather on the journey from Shanghai, and probably will not berth at Holt's Wharf until this evening. The football match which had been arranged for the company on board, including the 2nd Wilt. Regt., who have an unbeaten record in Shanghai, will not now be played.

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THE VOLUNTEERS.

CAPTAIN STRACHEY THE NEW ADJUTANT.

No. 9/30 Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E.

G. O. C.'s Annual Inspection 1930.—The attention of all ranks is drawn to Corps Order No. 7/30 dated 13. 2. 30 paragraph 1.

The attendance of this parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.25 p.m. on Thursday, 13th March is one of the obligations of a Volunteer.

Full dress parade on Murray parade ground will be held on Tuesday, 11th March. Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

Rifle Meeting.

A Committee Meeting will assemble at Corps Headquarters at 6.45 p.m. on Monday, 3rd March. All O. C. Units will detail one representative to attend.

Musketry Table T.

The Engineer Company and Signals will fire this course at Stonecutters on Sunday, 2nd March. Range Officer 2/Lieut. J. H. Bottomley. Dress:—Musketry order, uniform or mufti. Launch will leave Hongkong at 9 a.m. at Queen's Pier and call at Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Clothing and Equipment.

O. C. Coys. will please render a list of clothing and equipment that requires changing or renewing before G. O. C.'s Inspection.

Corps Band.

The Band will parade in mufti at full strength on Tuesday, 4th March and Friday, 7th March at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. to practice for the G. O. C.'s Inspection.

Battery.

Parade at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, February 23, for rifle drill and company drill with No. 1 Company practice for G. O. C.'s Inspection. Gun drill for that date is cancelled.

Dress:—Mufti, rifle, bayonet, belt and frog.

All members must make an effort to attend this parade.

The Battery dinner will be held on March 14, at Headquarters. Particulars later.

Engineer Company.

Part I Musketry. Part I Musketry Table T will be fired by the Engineer Company at Stonecutters on Sunday, 2nd March. Dress:—Optional, but rifles and bayonets, belts and pouches must be taken. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon at 9.10 a.m. Range Officer 2/Lieut. J. H. Bottomley.

Corps Signals.

Musketry, Part I Table T will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, March 2. Dress:—Musketry order, uniform or mufti optional. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon at 9.10 a.m. All members are requested to turn out. Range Officer 2/Lieut. J. H. Bottomley.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, February 23. Dress:—mufti, rifle, belt and bayonet. This is to be practice parade for the annual inspection.

There will be a parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, March 6. Dress:—Mufti.

Machine Gun Troop.

Musketry. The Machine Gun Company will fire Table T Rifle Part I on Sunday, 9th March. Full details will appear in next week's orders.

Practice parade for G. O. C.'s Inspection on Friday, 23th February at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

Armoured Car Company.

Musketry. The Armoured Car Company will fire Table T Rifle Part I on Sunday, 9th March. Full details will appear in next week's orders.

Car Section parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 23th February in mufti for practice parade for the G. O. C.'s Inspection.

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THE S. S. NINGCHOW.

NO LIKELIHOOD OF ANY SEVERE DAMAGE.

Melbourne, Feb. 27. There is now no danger of severe damage to the steamship Ningchow. The fire aboard is centralised, and is being extinguished.

—Reuter. [A previous message stated that the China Mutual Navigation Company's steamer Ningchow, laden with wool and a general cargo, but carrying no passengers, bound for England, was ashore in the vicinity of Cape Naturaliste, Western Australia. A tug from Fremantle, equipped with fire-fighting apparatus, had gone to assist her.]

Inspection: Practice Parade, Friday, February 23, 1930. Dress:—mufti, belt, frog, bayonet and rifle. All ranks are specially requested to attend the above in order to make a good show on the actual inspection.

Machine Gun Company.

The Company will parade at full strength at 5.30 p.m., 4th March. Dress:—Mufti, belt and sidearms—for practice for G. O. C.'s Inspection. Platoon Commanders are asked to see that all ranks under their command are present.

Company Rifle Club will meet at the Peak Range at 5.30 a.m. on Sunday, 2nd March to shoot for the Company Commander's Musketry Cup.

Scottish Company.

Parades Thursday, 6th March, 1930. Company will parade at Headquarters 5.30 p.m. Dress:—mufti, belt and frog will be worn.

All ranks are asked to report and make good shortages of kit, and equipment before the G. O. C.'s inspection.

Portuguese Company.

Parades. It is hoped that as many as possible will attend the last Company practice parade for the General's Annual Inspection, on Friday, March 7, at 5.30 p.m. Dress:—Optional, Rifle and Bayonet and Belt.

The Company will parade as strong as possible at Headquarters on Friday, February 23th at 5.30 p.m. Dress:—Optional, rifle and bayonet and belt.

All ranks are reminded that the Corps Practice Parade takes place on Tuesday, March 11, at 5.30 p.m.

Clothing. All ranks are reminded that any equipment or clothing that needs changing must notify the Company Quartermaster Sergeant on Friday, February 23. This will be the last chance.

Appointments.

Major R. A. Wolfe Murray, D.S.O., M.C., The Seaforth Highlanders relinquishes the appointment of Adjutant as from 28th February.

Duties.

Captain R. C. Strachey, M.C., 1st Battalion The Somerset Light Infantry assumes the duties of Adjutant H.K.V.D.C. with effect from 27th February, 1930 vice Major R. A. Wolfe Murray, D.S.O., M.C. The Seaforth Highlanders.

Struck off the Strength.

No. 85 Pte. G. R. Sayer, Reserve Company, is permitted to resign as from date.

Having left the Colony. No. 1063 Pte. E. A. Griffiths, Reserve Company, as from date.

Leave.

No. 1066 L/Cpl. G. G. Stopani Thomson, No. 7 Platoon, from 4. 3. 30 to 4. 10. 30.

No. 863. B.Q.M.S. J.P.A. Davis, The Battery, from 1. 3. 30 to 31. 10. 30.

No. 491 Piper G. Nisbit, No. 5 Platoon, from 1. 3. 30 to 31. 12. 30.

No. 16 Pte. H. S. Bouse, Reserve Company, from 1. 3. 30 to 30. 11. 30.

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INDEPENDENCE MOVE.

MOROS IN PHILIPPINES NOW IN FAVOUR.

Manila, Feb. 27.

A delegation of 40 Moro leaders, representing 85 per cent of the Moro population, has joined with the Christians in the Philippines, adopting a resolution expressing a desire for a separate Government for the Filipino people.

The resolution was adopted at the Philippine Independence Congress. Hitherto the Moros have been inclined to oppose the idea of independence.—*Reuter.*

[The United States Congress is at present considering a Bill presented by Senator William H. King, Democrat, of Utah, to enable the Filipino people to adopt a constitution and form an independent government. Appearing before the Congressional Committee are the members of the Filipino Independence Mission, Messrs. Pedro Guevara, Senior Resident Commissioner, Manuel Roxas, Speaker of the Philippine House of Representatives, Pedro Gil, Floor Leader of the Minority in the Philippine House of Representatives, Camilo Osias, and others. One of the objections raised to granting independence has been the possible dissension between the Christian and Mohammedan Filipinos, between whom there has always been a great deal of ill-feeling. The present movement in Manila is apparently made to offset that objection.]

A FORMER FOEMAN.

YEOMANRY ENTERTAIN AN EGYPTIAN PASHA.

London, Feb. 27.

The Egyptian Pasha who has been sent as an envoy of the Egyptian Government to London was the guest of honour at Weymouth, last night, at the annual dinner of the Yeomanry who captured him, and five hundred of his followers, in an action against the Senussi, whom the Pasha led in North Africa in 1916.

He was given a rousing welcome by the Yeomanry, among whom were two officers and forty members.—*British Wireless.*

[Portions of this message are missing, owing to bad atmospheric conditions at time of reception.]

NEW U.S. SYSTEM.

AMENDMENT IN COTTON TRADING CONTRACTS.

New York, Feb. 27.

The Cotton Exchange has adopted an amendment to its bye-laws, whereby a new contract is created eliminating the differential between delivery in New York and designated southern markets.

This amendment is expected to eliminate New York as a delivery point.

Trading in the new contracts begins to-morrow, starting with October contracts. Trading in the old contract continues until the end of January.—*Reuter's American Service.*

ROBBERY CHARGES.

ROBBER PUSHES GIRL OVERBOARD.

Under the pretext that they desired to board the s.s. *Change*, four men engaged a sampan off the Wing Lok Street Wharf recently and, when the craft had gone a certain distance, the passengers made known the actual purpose for which they had hired the boat. They presented themselves to the mistress and her daughter as robbers and then commenced to steal what valuables they could find. They jumped overboard on the alarm being raised and were rescued.

Charges of complicity in the robbery were brought against the four men, who appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

According to Detective Inspector Doring one of the women of the sampan was on the seawall near the Wing Lok Street Wharf on the evening of February 17 when she was accosted by the four men who intimated that they wished to hire her sampan to convey them to the s.s. *Change*, which was anchored opposite the Central Market in the Central fairway.

Woman Gagged.

It was agreed that the men should pay 60 cents for the journey and the four defendants boarded the complainant's sampan. It was alleged that when the craft was about two ship's length from the *Change* the men suddenly got up from their seats and two of them went to the stern where one of the complainants was steering while the other two went to the first complainant, who was rowing at the bows.

Both complainants were searched, one of them being gagged with a towel. Money and some articles of jewellery were taken by the men who then ordered the women to sail towards Tsimshatsui but, instead, the complainants directed their course towards the junk anchorage, between the Harbour Office and the Western Market.

On arriving among the junks, one of the complainants shouted out that they were being robbed and the second defendant pushed her overboard. All four men then jumped into the water. The complainant was rescued by the junk people as were also the four defendants, who were tied up and later handed over to the Police.

It was stated that on the complainant's sampan were a number of articles belonging to the defendants, including three packets of matches, and a parcel containing biscuits, all of which were to give the sampan women the impression that they intended to travel by the *Change*.

After the evidence of the complainants, who described what part each defendant took in the robbery, the case was adjourned till this afternoon.

COLLIERY EXPLOSION.

FIVE MEN KILLED AND TWENTY INJURED.

London, Feb. 27.

Five miners were killed and 20 injured in a colliery explosion, followed by a fire, at Haydock, Lancashire.—*Reuter.*

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All claims must be sent to the undersigned before Friday the 7th March, 1930, or they will not be recognised.

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No claims will be admitted after the goods left the Godown.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

L. LESDOS, Agent.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1930.

ECONOMIC COUNCIL.

SIR ARTHUR BALFOUR HEADS SUB-COMMITTEE.

London, Feb. 27.

The Economic Advisory Council set up by the Prime Minister to co-ordinate the work of the departments concerned with economic and industrial matters, and to advise in trade matters, is to begin work, and has appointed an Imperial sub-committee, of which Sir Arthur Balfour is chairman. Sir Arthur Balfour, who is the well-known steel magnate, was chairman of the Government committee on industry and trade in 1924.—*British Wireless.*

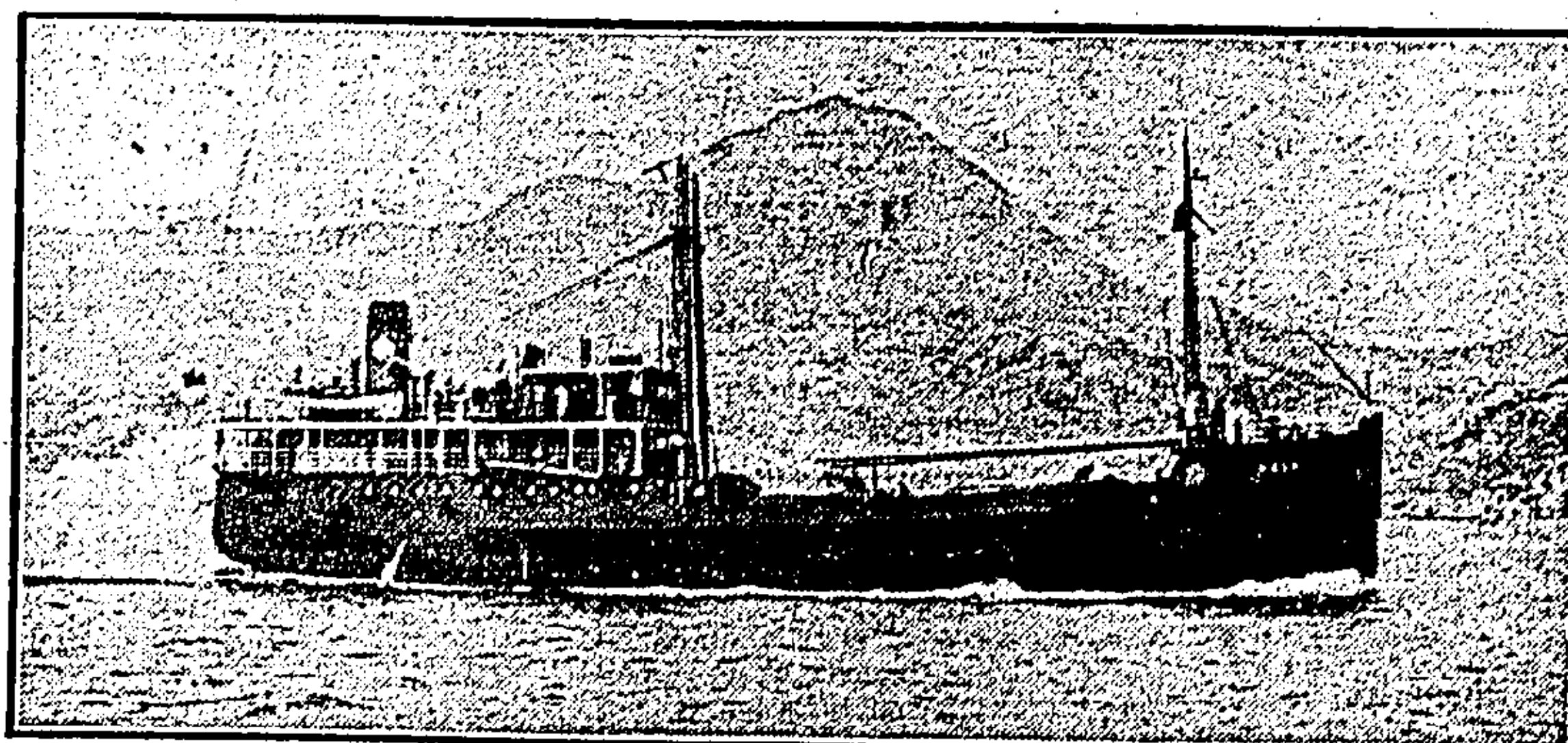
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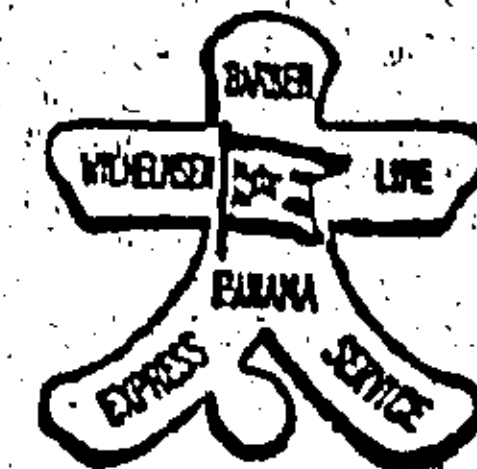
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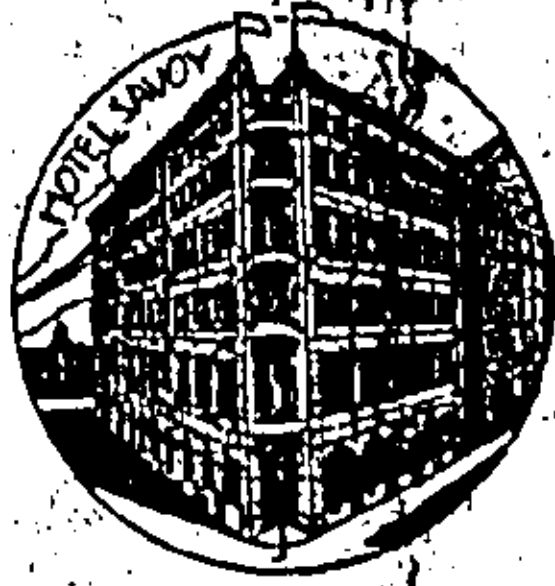
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RATIONALISATION PROGRAMME.

BIG SCHEME BY BRITISH SHIPBUILDERS.

GENERAL CLEAR-UP.

London, Feb. 27.
With the object of eliminating redundant capacity and of securing more economical costs of building by the resultant concentration of British ship-building yards, a registered company has been formed, entitled the National Shipbuilders' Security Limited.
The new company has a nominal capital of £10,000 but the directors are given borrowing-powers up to a limit of £3,000,000.
The company's objects as set out in the prospectus include the purchase of redundant and obsolete shipyards, and the disposal of the contents, and the re-sale, of the sites. The sites will all be sold subject to a condition that they shall not further be used for ship-building.
The company is supported by most of the leading shipbuilding concerns on the North-East Coast, and by the firms at Barrow, Birkenhead and Belfast. It is stated, however, that the scheme does not represent in any way an amalgamation of interests.

Later.
The shipbuilding scheme outlined by the National Shipbuilders' Security Company is supported by all the leading firms on the Clyde. —Reuter.

LUCKY ESCAPE FOR COOLIE.

CARRIED DOWN HILLSIDE BY FALL OF EARTH.

Whilst working on the hillside in Argyle Street, near its junction with Waterloo Road at Homun-tin, this morning, an earth-carrying coolie was precipitated down the slope by a quantity of earth becoming dislodged.

The fall, fortunately, was not very great, while the presence of a great deal of loose earth on the side of the hill saved the man from serious injury. His hand was slightly hurt, and when picked up he was suffering from shock, but otherwise was none the worse for his unpleasant experience.

The Kowloon Fire Brigade was immediately on the scene accompanied by the ambulance, but it was found, on their arrival, that the accident was not attended with any serious results, and the ambulance returned to the Station almost immediately.

ICE CHEST STOLEN BY TRICK.

HOW A KOWLOON LADY WAS DUPED.

How three Chinese successfully carried out the theft of an ice chest by means of false pretences is reported by the police to-day, who state that Mrs. Hopwar, of 3 Jordan Road, arranged with a foki at the Peninsula Stores on Wednesday for the repair of the ice chest. On the following day, a Chinese went to her house, pretending to be an employee of the Peninsula Stores, and engaged two coolies to remove the ice chest, which was valued at \$25, saying it would be returned the next day.

As it was not forthcoming yesterday, the owner made enquiries at the Peninsula Stores, and discovered that they had not sent anybody for the chest, and that she thus been duped by the masqueraders.

TOUTING NUISANCE.

EVEN MAGISTRATES NOT IMMUNE.

Charged with soliciting for hire, from passengers leaving a Canton steamer, a public-car driver was fined \$10, or 14 days, by Mr. Hamilton at the Central Police Court this morning.

Commenting on the toutting nuisance, his Worship observed that these drivers ought to know him by this time, yet he could not walk through Pedder Street without half-a-dozen of them soliciting him.

Two drivers who failed to observe the etiquette of removing their hats while in the Court, were sharply called to attention by the Magistrate, who directed that they remain where they were until the close of the proceedings. They were also compelled to leave their hats in the custody of the Court.

The first prize in the Hongkong Jockey Club sweep on the Champions was won by a European gentleman who does not wish his name to be disclosed. The prize is worth \$47,280 and was purchased on the course on the day of the race. The second trader.

WAR HOSTILITIES IN NORTH.

KUOMINCHUN TROOPS OPEN FIRE.

NANKING INDIGNANT WITH MARSHAL YEN.

BIG WAR INEVITABLE.

Nanking, Feb. 27.

Hostilities between Nanking and Kuominchun forces have broken out along the Lung-Hai Railway. Nanking is said to be indignant on receipt of information that the Kuominchun troops, acting under instructions of Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, opened fire on the Nationalist forces this morning.

Following this development, a meeting of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee was held, at which a resolution dismissing Marshal Yen Hsi-shan from the Kuomintang was passed. The resolution includes the dismissal of Yen from his military posts in the National Government.

It is generally expected that the first serious battle between the opposing troops will take place along the Lung-Hai Railway. The train services to Hankow from the Peking along the Peking-Hankow Railway have been suspended on account of the seizure by the Shansi troops of a large number of coaches at Shichichwang.

Troops on the Move.

News received in Hongkong this morning states that the situation between Marshal Yen and Marshal Chiang is still developing.

It is reported that Marshal Yen's 1st, 2nd and 3rd Route Armies are definitely on the move.

The allegiance of General Han Chu-fu, formerly Marshal Feng's right-hand man, is claimed by both sides.

Japanese Precautions.

Shanghai, Feb. 27.

Japanese residents in Shanghai are alarmed over the Nanking decision to disband all doubtful troops in the vicinity of Shanghai. To ensure the safety of the Japanese residents at Tsinanfu, the Japanese authorities are contemplating dispatching troops thither. If the Kuominchun-Nanking war eventuates.

In anticipation of early encounters with the Shansi and Kuominchun leaders, the National Government has instructed Mr. T. V. Soong, (Finance Minister) to float a loan of \$10,000,000 from Chinese and foreign bankers in Shanghai in order to provide war funds. Mr. Soong later left for Shanghai and held a meeting with prominent Chinese bankers yesterday at the Central Bank office.

Big War Inevitable.

A prominent Kuomintang leader told newspaper correspondents that war between Nanking and the Kuominchun was inevitable. There are, he said, 200,000 Chinese troops belonging to both sides and extensive fortifications are being built along the three principal railways in the North. When war actually breaks out, the casualties would most likely be bigger than in any previous wars in China.

The speaker stated that he anticipated that thousands of doubtful troops in Southern Honan would join the Kuominchun troops.

Other Troop Movements.

Regarding the troop movements in Honan, it is understood that the Kuominchun Division under General Wan Shin-tsoi has arrived at Chengchow, where conditions remain quiet.

At Loyang, the arrival of two Brigades of Kuominchun forces is reported. These will be mobilised for war along the Lung-Hai Railway.

Shansi forces at Taiming and Tschow are being mobilised for the Yellow River and for Honan. They will form the rearguard of the Kuominchun troops.

Newspaper Banned.

A prominent Chinese daily newspaper in Shanghai, the Tze Pao, has been banned by the National Government on the ground that it has published reports of the seizure by the National Government of many steamers on the Yangtze River run for transport of troops.

The Government edict adds that the Tze Pao should also be punished for publishing matter relating to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's alleged offer to pay funeral expenses to the family of the deceased Kuomintang Central Executive Commissioner, Mr. Wang Lok-ting, who was recently murdered. The same journal stated that the family of this Kuomintang leader had refused Marshal Chiang's offer. It will be recalled that news of the assassination of Mr. Wang was published in detail recently, when

EARLY MORNING BLAZE.

WANCHAI MEDICINE SHOP DESTROYED.

CIGARETTE-END FIRE.

A fire, which completely destroyed a shop containing large supplies of medicine and herbs, broke out at No. 131 Queen's Road East at about 3.30 this morning.

The ground floor of the building is occupied by the Hing Sau-hing medicine dealers, and it is believed that the outbreak was caused by the master of the shop, Pun Chi-sau, throwing a lighted cigarette-end into the shop, from the accountant's office. This, it is thought, came in contact with the herbs, and, in a very short time, the whole place was ablaze. The loss is estimated at \$3,000.

Fortunately, the fire was confined to the shop itself, and no persons were injured.

The Fire Brigade were summoned, and although they were helpless to save the shop, they succeeded in keeping the flames from spreading to other parts of the building.

The contents of the shop were insured for \$4,000 with the Sai Ah Insurance Company of 170, Wing Lok Street.

THE KUOMINTANG CONFERENCE.

GENERAL CHAN-MING-SHU NOT ATTENDING.

Canton, Feb. 27.

His Excellency General Chan Ming-shu, Civil Governor of Kwangtung, will not proceed to Nanking to attend the 3rd Plenary Session of the Kuomintang. All the other delegates from the Kwangtung Provincial Party Headquarters have left the city en route for Nanking. These include Mr. Lam Wen-ko, Mayor of Canton; Mr. Lum Yick-chung, Commissioner of the Provincial Council, who will represent General Chan Ming-shu; Mr. Tai Chi-tao, President of the Examination Yuan, and others.

General Can Chai-tong, Commander-in-Chief of the 8th Route Army (Cantonese Forces) is another member of the Provincial Council who has found it impossible to absent himself from the South to attend the conference. It is understood that he will present certain suggestions at the 3rd Plenary Session by telegram.

Mr. Lai Tso-kam and Mr. Cheung King-fai, Secretaries to Mr. Lam Wen-ko, will be in charge of the affairs of the Municipality during the absence of the Mayor.—Our Own Correspondent.

FOG NOT SO BAD.

DELAYED SHIPS COME INTO PORT.

According to the reports of some of the vessels that arrived in port this morning after being held up at Waglan, the fog appears to be lifting slightly.

The P. and O. Rawalpindi, which was due here from Singapore yesterday, entered the harbour this morning and berthed alongside Kowloon Wharf. Another vessel, the Dutch steamer Cremer, has been delayed for about 48 hours. She arrived at Waglan on Wednesday morning and was unable to come into port until this morning.

The Douglas steamer Haiyang did not leave Swatow until 4 p.m. yesterday and is due here to-day. She will sail for Swatow, Amoy and Poochow to-morrow at 2 p.m. instead of to-day.

The E. and A. Tania, which was involved in the collision with the Anking, is now in Whampoa Dock and repairs are expected to take about two weeks.

The Kako Maru is now anchored at Kowloon Bay and, it is understood, will dock at Taikoo for repairs to-morrow morning. She was damaged amidsthips as a result of her collision with the Tung Foong near Amoy.

It was stated that political intrigue was behind the affair.

Feng Meets Yen.

Peking, Feb. 27.

Chinese reports from Taiyuanfu state that Feng Yu-shiang arrived there yesterday, when Yen Hsi-shan and other Shansi leaders welcomed him.

Preparations are proceeding at Taiyuanfu for the departure of Yen Hsi-shan, presumably for Peking.

The movement of Shansi divisions towards the Yellow River continues.—Reuter.



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